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In connection with this matter, Chicago informant CG 5913-C, who had identified LA JOY as one of the participants in the bank robbery, was contacted relative to this film and could not furnish any information concerning it. This informant was very close to LA JOY during this period.

It was my intention, at such time as the motion to return the film was handled by the court, to submit the films to the FBI Laboratory for review and for whatever assistance the Laboratory could give me in connection with the ITOM investigation. I now realize that I should have advised the Bureau that the films were not being forwarded to the FBI Laboratory because of motions by defense counsel, and that the Bureau would then have been aware of the action being taken regarding these films. The Bureau will be advised of our retention of the film and the proposed action to be taken when the motions are adjudicated.

ASAC W. B. WELTE:)(10/5/64) WBW:wmn I recognize the fact that the Bureau should have been advised that the film has been retained by this office and was not being submitted to the FBI Laboratory for examination

inasmuch as the film was subject to a motion by the defense counsel for its immediate return to LA JOY. The judge has not rendered a decision and it has been continually postponed. think that the Chicago Office was justified under the circumstances in retaining the film because it could have been ordered returned at any time and we would have had to produce it. I am also aware of the possible ITOM violation and recognize the fact that it could not possibly have been made unless the FBI Laboratory were to positively identify the source of the film as being out of This would give us a lead, but on the meager information furnished by LA JOY, it would still leave much investigation to be conducted. At this point, I feel that the Bureau should have, been advised that we were retaining the film and informed of the contemplated action by the Chicago Office. This matter will be followed closely and the Bureau will be advised of our possession of this film and the pending action.

SAC M. W. JOHNSON: (10/5/64) MWJ:wmn

I will closely follow to see that the Bureau is advised and that as soon as the motion is decided and if favorable, the film will be immediately submitted to the FBI Laboratory for

its possible assistance in the ITOM investigation. The Bureau should have been advised that we were retaining the film pending decision on motion for its immediate return by defense counsel.